

SOUTHWEST REGIONAL EMS COMMITTEE

St. John's EMS Headquarters Education Center

1407 St. Louis Street

Springfield, Missouri

Friday September 21, 2007

Members	Present Appointment	Guests
Joy Raybourn	Nov. 01	Bob Minter
Susan Crum	Nov. 01	Sherry McCool
Larry Beatty	Nov. 01	Marc Kaufman
Patty Parrish	Nov. 01	Jack Bates
Mark Alexander	Nov. 01	David Hoover
Bob Patterson, Chair	Nov. 01	Janet Jordan
Michael Krtek	Nov. 01	
Kevin Tweedy	Nov. 01	
Don Looper	Nov. 01	

Members Absent

Jim Pyron	Nov. 01
L.E. Mire	Nov. 01
Jim McGee	Jan. 06
Donald Tribby	Jan. 06

Call to Order

Robert Patterson, Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at **13:00**.

Continuing Education Opportunity

EMS Strike Teams was presented by Kevin Tweedy.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the **June 15, 2007 meeting** were reviewed and approved without additions or corrections.

Old business:

Regional Medical Director

Bob Patterson will draft a letter to all services soliciting nominations for a replacement Southwest Regional Medical Director. Candidates' names will be forwarded to the State.

Mutual Aid

Larry Beatty provided copies of a standardized mutual aid agreement. This was discussed and approved. An area accommodating multiple signatures will be developed and copies will be sent to participating agencies for review and signature.

Standardized Radio Reporting Form

This agenda item was tabled. It will be considered at a future meeting.

Vacancies on Southwest Regional EMS Committee

Currently there are two vacancies on the Southwest Regional EMS Committee. Bob Patterson will contact the State regarding status of applicants who have sent paperwork.

New business:

State Advisory Council Update

Mark Alexander provided current updates on regulations regarding:

- Stretcher vans
- Board member training
- Out of hospital *Do Not Resuscitate* situations

He reported also that meetings are underway to approach legislators for:

- Increased Medicaid funding for ground and air ambulance services
- Peer review protection

EMS Day at the Capitol will be Tuesday March 4, 2008. All EMS providers are encouraged to attend.

The next meeting of the State Advisory Council is scheduled for Tuesday September 25, 2007 at 11:00 in Jefferson City, MO.

Region D Hospital Planning Update

David Hoover reported:

- A new funding year is starting
- The Multi-Agency Co-ordination Center (MAC) is physically in place
- A date will be set to test the current communication system
- Hospitals are being asked to create evacuation plans and practice drills to test these plans both with and without community assistance
- Surge equipment (cots) will be provided to area hospitals
- Tents may be provided to some institutions

David also provided an update from the Region D Homeland Security Oversight Committee (RSOC) regarding:

- Communications, vans, trailers, equipment
- Elliot System data bases for volunteer tracking
- Expiration of his one-year appointment as the Southwest Regional EMS Committee representative to the Region D Homeland Security Oversight Committee
 - Kevin Tweedy was selected to replace David Hoover as the primary representative
 - Larry Beatty was selected to serve as first alternate
 - David Hoover was selected to serve as second alternate

Issues from the Floor:

Organization of Local EMS Strike Team

There was discussion regarding organization, training, communication, and reimbursement issues associated with formation of a local EMS strike team. Kevin Tweedy agreed to obtain copies of policies and procedures. He also agreed to investigate the possibility of a trainer from St. Louis coming to the southwest region to provide training.

Upcoming Conference

Sherry McCool reported Children's Mercy will host their annual conference on pediatric care June 4-7, 2008.

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The regulations have not yet been submitted to the Secretary of State. Reportedly are pending approval of the new State Trauma Regulations.

Scheduling of next meeting:

The next meeting of the Southwest Regional EMS Committee is scheduled for Friday **November 9, 2007** at **12:00** (note time change) in the **METS Headquarters at 625 Virginia Avenue Joplin, MO**. The anticipated educational program will be a tour of the Disaster Communications Trailer.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at **15:20**.

Respectfully submitted,

Joy Raybourn MSN APRN, BC CEN